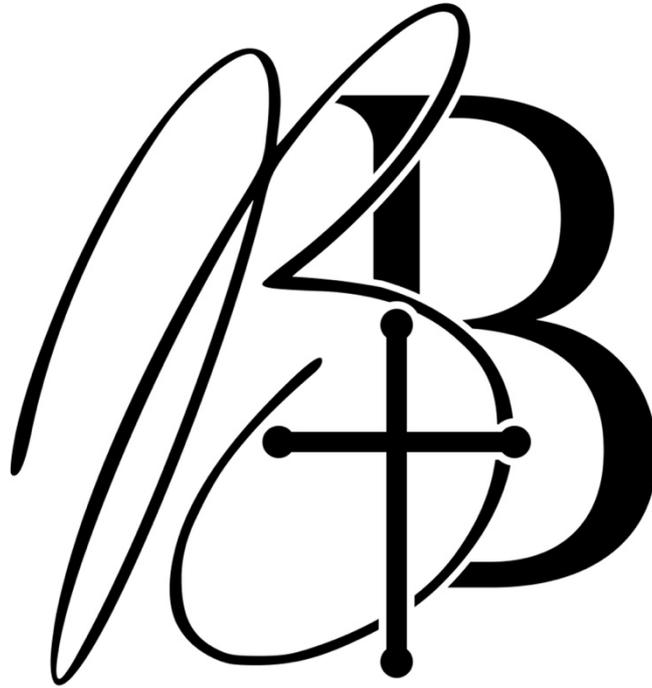


Welcome to worship at



Bellshill and Bothwell Parish
Church of Scotland

Sunday 11th January 2026

Minister: Revd. Iain Majcher

Organist: Mr Matt Edwards

Asst. Organist: Mrs Janet Young

Ministry Student: Aileen Macdonald-Haak



ORGAN PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME AND NOTICES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Here, in the depths of winter, just eleven days into a new year, we gather seeking light. Here, in these dark January days, when Christmas joy seems already distant, we remember a moment by the river. The heavens opened. The Spirit descended. A voice spoke: "This is my beloved."

All: We gather to worship the God who breaks through, who speaks into darkness, who begins something new. Let us worship God together.

HYMN CH4 459

Crown him with many crowns

PRAYERS OF APPROACH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever. Amen

ALL AGE TALK

ALL AGE SONG CH4 530

One more step along the world I go

FIRST READING

Psalm 29

SECOND READING

Matthew 3: 13-17

HYMN CH4

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

SERMON

PAUSE FOR REFLECTION

We pause to pray in silence and spend time with God while we listen to the music.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We pause to pray to God for the world, our community and one another.

HYMN CH4 680

You are called to tell the story

BENEDICTION We remain standing if we are able for the blessing.

SUNG BLESSING

Go now in peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

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Welcome to worship in Bellshill and Bothwell Parish Church. Whether you join in person or online, come every week, are here for the first time or the first time in a long time, a very warm welcome.

Join us tonight and every Sunday evening in our West Halls at 5pm for a contemporary service with tea, coffee, juice and biscuits before the service.

This service is live-streamed. Should you not wish to appear in the recording, please speak to our welcome team.

You'll find tea, coffee, juice, and biscuits ready for you after the service in the Church Centre. We'd love for you to stick around for a cup of something warm and a good chat.

Our reader today is Jean M.

Please note that Revd. Iain will be on annual leave from Monday 12th January until Friday 30th. During his absence, don't hesitate to get in touch with the office initially or reach out to David and Sally, the Joint Session Clerks, at sessionclerk@bbcofs.org.uk.

WHAT'S ON TODAY

The Creche is open from the start of the service and can be used at any point during the service, please ask at the door for more information.

Sunday School is on for any Primary School-aged children. We leave after the all age song and all children are welcome to join in.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

West Blend Café: every Tuesday at 10am in our West Halls, we would love to see you.

Bothwell Memory Café: meets on **Tuesday 13th January** in our Bothwell Centre for those living with dementia. The weekly activities include art, musical entertainment, fun quizzes, and baking. The café is open from 12:30 to 14:15, offering tea, coffee, a light lunch, and homemade baking.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Guild resumes after the Festive Season break with its annual Scots Night, to be held at **7.15 on Monday 26th January**. This year, we are privileged to have as our guests the highly regarded Hamilton Caledonian Bowling Club Male Voice Choir. The entertainment will be followed by supper. The cost is £10.00, a January bargain without the hassle of the sales... A limited number of tickets for this event will be on sale after **Sunday Worship and from the Office from Monday 12th January**.

GIVING

If you wish to make an offering today to Bellshill and Bothwell Parish Church, please use the basket at the top of the steps on your way out. Contactless giving is also available at the entrance. All financial gifts go towards the church's work. Alternatively, please use the QR code to give via our secure online giving platform.



Gift Aid – make your gift go further. If you are a UK taxpayer, please consider Gift Aiding your donation. When using the contactless machine, simply select the Gift Aid option and your gift will be increased by **25% at no extra cost to you**.

If you give by standing order and would like to Gift Aid your donation, please email office@bbcofs.org.uk and our Finance Team will be happy to help.

Help Us Fill the Food Larder !

Next time you're out shopping, why not grab an extra item or two? You can drop off your donations in the trolley anytime outside the Chapterhouse Café. This will help stock out shelves at both our buildings to support our community.